

Camden County Board of Commissioners

Regular Meeting

August 6, 2007

8:00 A.M.

**Historic Courtroom, Courthouse Complex
Camden, North Carolina**

MINUTES

The regular meeting of the Camden County Board of Commissioners was held on Monday, August 6, 2007 at 8:00 a.m. in the Historic Courtroom, Courthouse Complex, Camden, North Carolina. The following members were present.

Chairman Jeffrey B. Jennings

Vice Chairman Philip Faison

Commissioners Melvin J. Jeralds, Sandy Duckwall, and Mike Andrews

Also attending was County Manager Randell Woodruff, Clerk to the Board Ava Gurganus and County Attorney John Morrison.

Chairman Jeffrey Jennings called the meeting to order and asked for a moment of silence due to the passing of former Commissioner Benjamin Gray and called on upon Commissioner Mike Andrews to give the invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Public Comments

Brian Meekins, 122 Baybreeze Drive, stated he was slandered at a previous meeting and still had not received the information he requested from the County Manager and the Parks and Rec Director under the Freedom of Information Act.

Buddy Tucker, 617 Trotman Road, asked that the Finance Officer explain to the news media how the county gets tax money and spoke regarding the no passing zone on North Hwy NC343.

Robert Knobles, 134 Heritage Drive, offered his help to keep the landfill out of the entire county.

Consideration of Minutes – June 18, 2007 Regular Meeting

Commissioner Melvin Jeralds made a motion to approve the minutes of the June 18, 2007 regular meeting subject to correction of technical and typographical errors. The motion passed with Commissioners Melvin Jeralds, Mike Andrews, Philip Faison and Chairman Jeffrey Jennings voting aye; no Commissioner voting no; no Commissioner absent; and no Commissioner not voting.

Consideration of Agenda

Chairman Jeffrey Jennings added *Item IX. New Business, K. Wesley Road, Old Trap – Update from Commissioner Melvin Jeralds.*

Commissioner Philip Faison made a motion to approve the agenda as amended. The motion passed with Commissioners Melvin Jeralds, Mike Andrews, Philip Faison and Chairman Jeffrey Jennings voting aye; no Commissioner voting no; no Commissioner absent; and no Commissioner not voting.

Old Business - Consideration of Special Use Permit – UDO 2007-05-15 – Mining Operation – B & M Investments of NC LLC

Commissioner Mike Andrews made a motion to table UDO 2007-05-15. The motion failed with Commissioners Melvin Jeralds, Philip Faison and Chairman Jeffrey Jennings

voting no; Commissioner Mike Andrews voting aye; no Commissioner absent; and no Commissioner not voting.

Commissioner Melvin Jeralds made a motion to approve UDO 2007-05-15. The motion passed with Commissioners Melvin Jeralds, Philip Faison and Chairman Jeffrey Jennings voting aye; Commissioner Mike Andrews voting no; no Commissioner absent; and no Commissioner not voting.

Swearing In of Sandra Duckwall

Chairman Jeffrey Jennings stated at this time Judge Eula Reid would swear in Sandra Duckwall to the Camden County Board of Commissioners, and Mrs. Duckwall will be seated with the Board after the swearing in ceremony.

Sandra Duckwall was sworn in at 8:11 a.m. and fills the unexpired term of Carolyn O. Riggs.

Chairman Jeffrey Jennings welcomed and extended good wishes to Commissioner Sandra Duckwall.

Public Hearing – Ordinance No. 2007-08-01 – A Repealed Ordinance Amending the Camden County Code of Ordinances – Chapter 151

Commissioner Melvin Jeralds made a motion to go into public hearing to receive comments from the public regarding Ordinance No. 2007-08-01. The motion passed with Commissioners Melvin Jeralds, Philip Faison, Sandra Duckwall and Chairman Jeffrey Jennings voting aye; Commissioner Mike Andrews voting no; no Commissioner absent; and no Commissioner not voting.

Planning Director Dan Porter reviewed Ordinance No. 2007-08-01.

Chairman Jeffrey Jennings called for any comments from the public.

Hearing no comments, Commissioner Philip Faison made a motion to close public hearing regarding Ordinance No. 2007-08-01. The motion passed with Commissioners Melvin Jeralds, Philip Faison, Mike Andrews, Sandra Duckwall and Chairman Jeffrey Jennings voting aye; no Commissioner voting no; no Commissioner absent; and no Commissioner not voting.

Consideration of Ordinance No. 2007-08-01 – A Repealed Ordinance Amending the Camden County Code of Ordinances – Chapter 151

Following discussion, Commissioner Melvin Jeralds made a motion to approve Ordinance No. 2007-08-01 with the deletion of *major* in *Every major residential development*, which is to read *Every residential development*. The motion passed with Commissioners Melvin Jeralds, Philip Faison and Chairman Jeffrey Jennings voting aye; Commissioners Mike Andrews and Sandra Duckwall voting no; no Commissioner absent; and no Commissioner not voting.

Approved Ordinance No. 2007-08-01 reads as follows:

Ordinance No. 2007-08-01

**A Repealed Ordinance
Amending the Camden County
Code of Ordinances**

Camden County, North Carolina

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CAMDEN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS as follows:

Article I: Purpose

The purpose of this Ordinance is to repeal Ordinance No. 2007-02-02 regarding amendments to section 151.182 & 151.183 to Article 151 of the Camden County Code of Ordinances of Camden County, North Carolina.

Article II. Construction

For purposes of this Ordinance, underlined words (underline) shall be considered as additions to existing Ordinance language and strikethrough words (~~strikethrough~~) shall be considered deletions to existing language. New language of proposed ordinance shall be shown in italics (*italics*) and underlined.

Article III. Amend Section 151 as amended of the Camden County Code which shall read as follows:

CHAPTER 151: UNIFIED DEVELOPMENT

§ 151.182 FIRE HYDRANTS.

(A) Every major subdivision that is served by *a county-owned water system* ~~South Camden Water & Sewer District or South Mills Water District~~ *or a private/public central water system* with at least six-inch lines shall include a system of fire hydrants sufficient to provide adequate fire protection for the buildings located or intended to be located within the development.

(B) The presumption established by this chapter is that to satisfy the standard set forth in division (A) above, fire hydrants must be located so that not more than 500 linear feet, measured along the centerline of the street right-of-way, separates a property within the development and a fire hydrant. However, the permit issuing authority may authorize or require a deviation from this standard if another arrangement more satisfactorily complies with the standard set forth in division (A) above.

(C) The permit issuing authority, after consultation with local fire officials, shall determine the precise location of all fire hydrants. Preferably, fire hydrants shall be placed six feet behind the curb line of publicly dedicated streets that have curb and gutter and must be placed within ten feet of a public or private road or street.

(D) The permit issuing authority shall, after consultation with local fire officials, determine the design standards of all hydrants based on fire flow needs. Unless otherwise specified, all hydrants shall have two 2½-inch hose connections and one 4½-inch hose connection. The 2½-inch hose connections shall be located at least 21½ inches from the ground level. All hydrant threads shall be national standard threads.

(E) Water lines that serve hydrants shall be at least six-inch lines and, unless no other practicable alternative is available, no lines shall be dead-end lines and they shall be looped where practical.

(F) When served by a county-owned or a private/public central water system, all conversions of existing structures to non-residential uses and all new construction projects, excluding single-family and two-family dwellings, that are less than 1,000 feet from an existing fire hydrant shall be required to extend the line and install a new fire hydrant within 500 feet of their parcel.

~~(G) Fire hydrants shall flow a minimum five hundred (500) gallons per minute with a residual of twenty (20) PSI (pounds per square inch).~~

~~(G H)~~ Subdivisions of five lots or less shall be exempt from this requirement, provided all five lots are within one parcel/tract of land. Additional lots subdivided from the one parcel/tract of land shall comply with the fire hydrant requirement.

§ 151.183 WATER SUPPLY FOR FIRE PROTECTION IN DEVELOPMENTS NOT SERVED BY THE PUBLIC WATER SUPPLY SYSTEM. ~~RESERVED FOR FUTURE USE~~

Every residential development containing 20 or more lots and every non-residential subdivision containing ten or more lots shall provide a supply of water that is sufficient to provide adequate fire fighting capability with respect to every building that is reasonably expected to be constructed within the development:

(A) The Administrator shall determine the types, sizes, dimensions and spatial relationships of buildings anticipated within the development by using the best information available, including, without limitation, market experience, the developer's plans and the list of permissible uses in § 151.334 and other requirements set forth in this chapter.

(B) The developer may provide the required water supply by resort to ponds, wells, cisterns, above ground storage tanks, water lines, where a community water supply system is installed, any combination of the foregoing, or any other means, so long as the facilities satisfy the requirements of this section.

(C) The water supply facilities may be located on or off the site of the development. However, off-

site facilities shall be acceptable only if the developer has a sufficient legal interest in the facilities to ensure that the facilities will be available to serve the development as long as they are needed.

(D) The water supply facilities must be of the size and so located that within 2,500 feet of every anticipated building in the development a sufficient volume of water is available at all times of the year to supply the water flow needed to suppress a fire on each building

(E) In determining needed water flow for anticipated buildings, the Administrator shall be guided by the standards promulgated by the Insurance Service Office, which standards shall be available in the office of the Administrator. However, the Administrator may modify these standards warranted upon the advice of the Chief of the applicable Volunteer Fire Department to the end that the basic objective of this section set forth above might most reasonably be satisfied.

(F) Water supply sources shall be so located so that fire-fighting vehicles will have ready access to the sources at all times. A hard surfaced roadway shall be provided to the water source as well as a hard surfaced, turnaround area of sufficient dimensions to facilitate access by fire-fighting vehicles to and from the water source.

(G) Water supply sources shall be provided with the necessary equipment and connections (such as, dry hydrants in ponds) to ensure that fire-fighting equipment can draw water from the sources in the most efficient manner reasonably possible.

(H) The developer or his or her successor shall be responsible for ensuring that all water supply sources, access roadways and other facilities or equipment required under this section are maintained.

Adopted by the Board of Commissioners for the County of Camden this 6th day of August, 2007.

County of Camden

Jeffrey B. Jennings, Chairman
Camden County Board of Commissioners

(SEAL)

ATTEST:

Ava Gurganus
Clerk to the Board

Set Public Hearing - Black Bear Disposal - Amended and Restated Franchise Agreement

Commissioner Philip Faison made a motion to set public hearing on the Black Bear Disposal Amended and Restated Franchise Agreement for September 17, 2007 at 7:00 p.m. or as soon thereafter as the agenda allows. The motion passed with Commissioners Melvin Jeralds, Philip Faison, Sandra Duckwall and Chairman Jeffrey Jennings voting aye; Commissioner Mike Andrews voting no; no Commissioner absent; and no Commissioner not voting.

Tax Releases, Pick Ups & Refunds

Commissioner Melvin Jeralds made a motion to approve the tax releases, pick ups and refunds as submitted by the Tax Administrator. The motion passed with Commissioners Melvin Jeralds, Philip Faison, Sandra Duckwall, Mike Andrews and Chairman Jeffrey Jennings voting aye; no Commissioner voting no; no Commissioner absent; and no Commissioner not voting.

<u>Name</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Type</u>	<u>Reason</u>	<u>No.</u>
George Johns	\$279.46	Release	Military Exempt	9188
Amber & Kit Harris	\$142.87	Release	Military Exempt	9177
Matthew Smithson	\$151.05	Release	Wrong County	9175
Christy Stallings	\$153.90	Release	Wrong County	9172
Steven Elliott	\$134.33	Release	Wrong County	9157
Steven Elliott	\$153.71	Release	Wrong County	9156
James Winters	\$121.51	Release	Turned in Plates	9152
Mary Elliott	\$134.24	Release	Wrong County	9133
Bradford Yong	\$201.50	Release	Military Exempt	9123

Authorization to Collect – May Renewals

Commissioner Philip Faison made a motion to approve the authorization to collect April renewals in the amount of \$72,317.25 as submitted by the Tax Administrator. The motion passed with Commissioners Melvin Jeralds, Philip Faison, Sandra Duckwall, Mike Andrews and Chairman Jeffrey Jennings voting aye; no Commissioner voting no; no Commissioner absent; and no Commissioner not voting.

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA

COUNTY OF CAMDEN

TO: The Tax Administrator of Camden County (May Ren.) Due 8/1/07

You are hereby authorized, empowered, and commanded to collect the taxes set forth in the tax records filed in the office of the Tax Administrator and in the tax receipts herewith delivered to you, in the amounts and from the taxpayers likewise therein set forth. Such taxes are hereby declared to be a first lien upon personal property of the respective taxpayers in the County of Camden, and this order shall be a full and sufficient authority to direct, require, and enable you to levy on and sell personal property of such taxpayers for and on account thereof, in accordance with the law.

SOUTH MILLS	COURTHOUSE	SHILOH	TOTAL
<i>26,338.12</i>	<i>28,419.01</i>	<i>17,560.12</i>	<i>72,317.25</i>

Witness my hand and official seal this 6th day of August, 2007.

Chairman, Camden County Board of Commissioners

Attest:

Clerk to the Board of Commissioners of Camden County

This is to certify that I have received the tax receipts and duplicates for collection in the amounts as listed herein.

Tax Administrator of Camden County

Annual Settlement Report

Commissioner Melvin Jeralds made a motion to accept the annual settlement report of delinquent taxes for real and personal property as of June 30, 2007 as submitted by the Tax Administrator. The motion passed with Commissioners Melvin Jeralds, Philip Faison, Sandra Duckwall, Mike Andrews and Chairman Jeffrey Jennings voting aye; no Commissioner voting no; no Commissioner absent; and no Commissioner not voting.

Personnel – Juvenile Crime Prevention Council Program Coordinator

Commissioner Melvin Jeralds made to approve the Juvenile Crime Prevention Council Program Coordinator as presented by Personnel Technician Stephanie Jackson. The motion passed with Commissioners Melvin Jeralds, Philip Faison, Sandra Duckwall, Mike Andrews and Chairman Jeffrey Jennings voting aye; no Commissioner voting no; no Commissioner absent; and no Commissioner not voting.

Commissioner Philip Faison made a motion to approve Grade Level 63 for the Juvenile Crime Prevention Council Program Coordinator as presented by Personnel Technician Stephanie Jackson. The motion passed with Commissioners Melvin Jeralds, Philip Faison, Sandra Duckwall, Mike Andrews and Chairman Jeffrey Jennings voting aye; no Commissioner voting no; no Commissioner absent; and no Commissioner not voting.

Set Public Hearing – Special Use Permit Application – UDO 2007-05-22 – Camden Automotive & Truck Repair - Charlie Cartwright

Commissioner Melvin Jeralds made a motion to set public hearing for UDO 2007-05-22 on Monday, September 17, 2007 at 7:00 p.m. or as soon thereafter as the agenda allows.

The motion passed with Commissioners Melvin Jeralds, Philip Faison, Sandra Duckwall, Mike Andrews and Chairman Jeffrey Jennings voting aye; no Commissioner voting no; no Commissioner absent; and no Commissioner not voting.

Board Appointment – Board of Adjustment

Commissioner Melvin Jeralds made a motion to appoint Janice Hassell as alternate to the Board of Adjustment to fill the unexpired term of Doug Lane, with a term expiring December 31, 2007. The motion passed with Commissioners Melvin Jeralds, Philip Faison, Sandra Duckwall, Mike Andrews and Chairman Jeffrey Jennings voting aye; no Commissioner voting no; no Commissioner absent; and no Commissioner not voting.

Budget Amendments – Camden County Board of Education

Commissioner Mike Andrews made a motion to approve the budget amendments as submitted by the Board of Education. The motion passed with Commissioners Melvin Jeralds, Philip Faison, Sandra Duckwall, Mike Andrews and Chairman Jeffrey Jennings voting aye; no Commissioner voting no; no Commissioner absent; and no Commissioner not voting.

Budget Amendment
Camden County Schools Administrative Unit
Capital Outlay Fund

The Camden County Board of Education at a meeting on the 14 th day of June, 2007, passed the following resolution.			
Be it resolved that the following amendments be made to the Budget Resolution for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2007.			
Code Number	Description of Code	Amount	
		Increase	Decrease
9100	Category I Projects	25,427.00	
9200	Category II Projects		25,427.00
9300	Category III Projects	119,458.00	
Explanation:			
Total Appropriation in Current Budget		\$	263,800.00
Amount of Increase / (Decrease) of			
Above Amendment			119,458.00
Total Appropriation in Current Amended			
Budget			382,458.00
Passed by majority vote of the Board of Education of Camden County Schools on the 14 th day of June, 2007.		We the Board of County Commissioners of Camden County hereby approve the changes in the County School Funds Budget as indicated above, and have made entry of these changes in the minutes of said Board, this 6th day of August, 2007.	

Budget Amendment
Camden County Schools Administrative Unit
Child Nutrition Fund

The Camden County Board of Education at a meeting on the 14th day of June 2007, passed the following resolution.			
Be it resolved that the following amendments be made to the Budget Resolution for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2007.			
Code Number	Description of Code	Amount	
		Increase	Decrease
6500	Business Support Services	17,694.00	
8100	Non-Programmed Charges	13,393.00	
9200	Category II Projects		3,823.00

Explanation: Revenue – Supplemental Sales - \$27,264.00;			
Total Appropriation in Current Budget	\$	722,225.00	
Amount of Increase /(Decrease) of			
Above Amendment			27,264.00
Total Appropriation in Current Amended			
Budget			749,489.00
Passed by majority vote of the Board of Education of Camden County Schools on the 14th day of June, 2007		We the Board of County Commissioners of Camden County hereby approve the changes in the County School Funds Budget as indicated above, and have made entry of these changes in the minutes of said Board, this 6th day of August, 2007.	

Budget Amendment
Camden County Schools Administrative Unit
Federal Grant Fund

The Camden County Board of Education at a meeting on the 14 th day of June 2007, passed the following resolution.			
Be it resolved that the following amendments be made to the Budget Resolution for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2007.			
Code Number	Description of Code	Amount	
		Increase	Decrease
5100	Regular Instructional Programs	2,252.00	
5200	Special Instructional Programs		1,334.00
5800	Student Services	1,726.00	
5900	Other Instructional Programs	5,684.00	
8100	Pymts to Other Govt Units	325.00	
8200	Unbudgeted Funds		765.96
Explanation:			
Total Appropriation in Current Budget		\$	763,509.11
Amount of Increase /Decrease of			
Above Amendment			7,887.04
Total Appropriation in Current Amended			
Budget		\$	771,396.15
Passed by majority vote of the Board of Education of Camden County on the 14 th day of June 2007.		We the Board of County Commissioners of Camden County hereby approve the changes in the County School Funds Budget as indicated above, and have made entry of these changes on the minutes of said Board, this 6 th day of August, 2007.	

Budget Amendment
Camden County Schools Administrative Unit
Local Current Expense Fund

The Camden County Board of Education at a meeting on the 14 ^h day of June, 2007, passed the following resolution.			
Be it resolved that the following amendments be made to the Budget Resolution for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2007.			
Code Number	Description of Code	Amount	
		Increase	Decrease
5100	Regular Instructional Program		20,938.00
5200.	Special Instructional Programs		19,821.00
5400	Co-Curricular Programs		326.00
5800	Student Services		660.00
5900	Other Instructional Programs		11,066.60

6300	Administrative Support Services	12,036.44	
6400	School Admin Support Services	2,507.00	
6500	Business Support Services		25,119.00
6600	Central Support Services		3,000.00
6900	Other Support Services	41,957.16	
7100	Community Services	24,888.00	
7900	Other Community Services	962.00	
8100	Non-Programmed Charges	1,400.00	
Explanation:			
Total Appropriation in Current Budget		\$	2,230,482.00
Amount of Increase /Decrease of			
Above Amendment			2,820.00
Total Appropriation in Current Amended			
Budget		\$	2,233,302.00
Passed by majority vote of the Board of Education of Camden County on the 14 th day of June 2007.		We the Board of County Commissioners of Camden County hereby approve the changes in the County School Funds Budget as indicated above, and have made entry of these changes on the minutes of said Board, this 6th day of August, 2007.	

Budget Amendment
Camden County Schools Administrative Unit
Local Current Expense Fund

The Camden County Board of Education at a meeting on the 28 ^h day of June, 2007, passed the following resolution.			
Be it resolved that the following amendments be made to the Budget Resolution for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2007.			
Code Number	Description of Code	Amount	
		Increase	Decrease
5100	Regular Instructional Program		1,390.00
5200	Special Instructional Programs		645.00
5400	Co-Curricular Programs	1,830.00	
5800	Student Services		76.00
5900	Other Instructional Programs		12,909.00
6300	Administrative Support Services	6,866.00	
6400	School Admin Support Services	483.00	
6500	Business Support Services		1,735.00
6600	Central Support Services		7,711.00
6900	Other Support Services	12,702.00	
7100	Community Services	985.00	
7900	Other Community Services	224.00	
8100	Non-Programmed Charges	1,376.00	
Explanation:			
Total Appropriation in Current Budget		\$	2,233,302.00
Amount of Increase/Decrease of			
Above Amendment			.00
Total Appropriation in Current Amended			
Budget		\$	2,233,302.00
Passed by majority vote of the Board of Education of Camden County on the 28 th day of June 2007.		We the Board of County Commissioners of Camden County hereby approve the changes in the County School Funds Budget as indicated above, and have made entry of these changes on the minutes of said Board, this 6 th day of August, 2007.	

Budget Amendment
Camden County Schools Administrative Unit
State Public School Fund

The Camden County Board of Education at a meeting on the 14 th day of June, 2007 passed the following resolution.
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Be it resolved that the following amendments be made to the Budget Resolution for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2007.

Code Number	Description of Code	Amount	
		Increase	Decrease
5100	Regular Instructional Programs		12,503.82
5200	Special Instructional Programs	22,057.50	
5500	Remediation Services		21,640.00
5800	Student Services		29,475.50
5900	Other Instructional Programs	72,334.71	
6200	Instructional Staff Support Serv.	9,763.00	
6300	Administrative Support Services		1,819.00
6400	School Admin Support Services		11,149.00
6500	Business Services	83,721.00	
6600	Central Support Services	1,158.00	
6900	Other Support Services	43,191.05	
7900	Other Community Services	1,506.79	

Explanation:

Total Appropriation in Current Budget	\$ 12,409,656.00
Amount of Increase/Decrease of Above Amendment	157,144.73
Total Appropriation in Current Amended Budget	\$ 12,566,800.73

Passed by majority vote of the Board of
Education of Camden County on the 14th day
of June, 2007.

We the Board of County Commissioners of
Camden County hereby approve the changes
in the County School Funds Budget as
indicated above, and have made entry of these
changes on the minutes of said Board,
this 6th day of August, 2007.

Budget Amendment
Camden County Schools Administrative Unit
State Public School Fund

The Camden County Board of Education at a meeting on the 28th day of June, 2007 passed the following resolution.

Be it resolved that the following amendments be made to the Budget Resolution for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2007.

Code Number	Description of Code	Amount	
		Increase	Decrease
5100	Regular Instructional Programs	165,991.00	
5200	Special Instructional Programs		162,021.00
5500	Remediation Services	673.00	
5800	Student Services	9,714.42	
5900	Other Instructional Programs	39,168.30	
6200	Instructional Staff Support Serv.		79.00
6300	Administrative Support Services		441.00
6500	Business Services		5,136.00
6900	Other Support Services		1,183.13

Explanation:

Total Appropriation in Current Budget	\$ 12,556,800.73
Amount of Increase /Decrease of Above Amendment	46,686.59
Total Appropriation in Current Amended Budget	\$ 12,603,487.32

Passed by majority vote of the Board of
Education of Camden County on the 28th day
of June, 2007.

We the Board of County Commissioners of
Camden County hereby approve the changes
in the County School Funds Budget as
indicated above, and have made entry of these
changes on the minutes of said Board,
this 6th day of August, 2007.

Resolution No. 2007-08-01 – A Resolution of the Camden County Board of Commissioners In Support of an Act to Direct the Secretary of the Interior to Conduct a Study of the Suitability and Feasibility of Establishing the Northeastern North Carolina Heritage Area in North Carolina

Commissioner Mike Andrews made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2007-08-01. The motion passed with Commissioners Melvin Jeralds, Philip Faison, Sandra Duckwall, Mike Andrews and Chairman Jeffrey Jennings voting aye; no Commissioner voting no; no Commissioner absent; and no Commissioner not voting.

Resolution No. 2007-08-01

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CAMDEN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
IN SUPPORT OF AN ACT TO DIRECT THE SECRETARY OF THE INTERIOR
TO CONDUCT A STUDY OF THE SUITABILITY AND FEASIBILITY OF
ESTABLISHING THE NORTHEASTERN NORTH CAROLINA
HERITAGE AREA IN NORTH CAROLINA**

WHEREAS, the sixteen counties in North Carolina's Northeast Region have many natural, historic, cultural and recreations resources that represent distinctive aspects of American heritage worthy of recognition;

WHEREAS, North Carolina's Northeast Commission, with the support of the North Carolina Department of Commerce, Division of Tourism, Film & Sports Development; the North Carolina Arts Council; and the Region's local Chambers of Commerce, tourism professionals, arts councils and community and economic development organizations, has spearheaded the Northeastern North Carolina Heritage Initiative;

WHEREAS, The Northeastern North Carolina Heritage Initiative has joined the communities in the Northeast Region in an regional effort to strengthen and revitalize their economies through heritage tourism development;

WHEREAS, the House Resolution introduced by Congressman G.K. Butterfield requests that the Secretary of Interior conduct a study to determine the feasibility of designation of the Northeastern North Carolina Heritage Area;

WHEREAS, this prestigious designation would provide the mechanism to preserve the Northeast Region's nationally significant landscape, create a new economic development and tourism tool for our region, develop new partnerships, and introduce Northeastern North Carolina to its rightful place in the hearts and minds of all Americans.

WHEREAS, the Camden County Board of Commissioners recognizes the importance of tourism to our local and regional economies and that designation as a National Heritage Area will provide national recognition to our counties and Region, as well as provide federal and private funding to preserve and promote our historic, cultural, natural and recreational resources;

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED THAT the Camden County Board of Commissioners respectfully requests that the North Carolina Congressional Delegation support legislation for the Northeastern North Carolina Heritage Area Initiative and voice their support to members of the House Committee on Resources for passage.

Adopted this 6th day of August, 2007.

(SEAL)

Jeffrey B. Jennings, Chairman
Camden County Board of Commissioners

ATTEST:

Ava J. Gurganus
Clerk to the Board

Albemarle Mental Health Center – FY 2006-07 4th Quarterly Fiscal Monitoring Report

Commissioner Philip Faison made a motion to accept the FY 2006-07 4th Quarterly Fiscal Monitoring Report as submitted by Albemarle Mental Health. The motion passed with Commissioners Melvin Jeralds, Philip Faison, Sandra Duckwall, Mike Andrews and Chairman Jeffrey Jennings voting aye; no Commissioner voting no; no Commissioner absent; and no Commissioner not voting.

2007-2008 County Cooperative Agreement – Division of Forest Resources

Commissioner Melvin Jeralds made a motion to approve the 2007-2008 County Cooperative Agreement in the amount of \$49,433.00. The motion passed with Commissioners Melvin Jeralds, Philip Faison, Sandra Duckwall, Mike Andrews and Chairman Jeffrey Jennings voting aye; no Commissioner voting no; no Commissioner absent; and no Commissioner not voting.

Wesley Road – Update from Commissioner Melvin Jeralds

Commissioner Melvin Jeralds stated that Wesley Road, located in Old Trap beside Wesley Methodist Church, has been a state road for many years. The road has not been paved due to lack of easements. This is a unique situation because of the cemetery at the church and a family cemetery across the road. A 45' right of way is not possible. Approximately 3/10th of a mile would have to be paved for the five (5) homes. Dust is a major problem. Commissioner Melvin Jeralds asked that the Chairman draft a letter to NCDOT asking to make an exception and pave Wesley Road with an 18' strip area by the cemeteries. The District Engineer and resident engineer has viewed Wesley Road. And exceptions have been made in other counties.

Commissioner Philip Faison made a motion for Chairman Jeffrey Jennings to draft a letter to NCDOT requesting an exception for the paving of Wesley Road. The motion passed with Commissioners Melvin Jeralds, Philip Faison, Sandra Duckwall, Mike Andrews and Chairman Jeffrey Jennings voting aye; no Commissioner voting no; no Commissioner absent; and no Commissioner not voting.

SOUTH CAMDEN WATER & SEWER DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS

During the regular meeting of the Camden County Board of Commissioners, Chairman Jeffrey Jennings recessed the Board of Commissioners regular meeting at 8:40 a.m. and called the South Camden Water and Sewer District Board of Directors meeting to order.

Member Melvin Jeralds made a motion to adjourn the South Camden Water and Sewer District Board of Directors meeting. The motion passed with Members Melvin Jeralds, Philip Faison, Sandra Duckwall, Mike Andrews and Chairman Jeffrey Jennings voting aye; no Member voting no; no Member absent; and no Member not voting.

The meeting adjourned at 8:52 a.m.

County Manager's Report

County Manager Randell Woodruff and Finance Officer Clarann Mansfield reported on recent changes in the General Assembly regarding county funds for Medicaid cost.

Closed Session

Commissioner Melvin Jeralds made a motion to go into closed session pursuant to G.S. 143-318.11(a)(3) for the purpose of consultation with Attorney. The motion passed with Commissioners Melvin Jeralds, Philip Faison, Sandra Duckwall, Mike Andrews and Chairman Jeffrey Jennings voting aye; no Commissioner voting no; no Commissioner absent; and no Commissioner not voting.

After a short recess, the Commissioners entered closed session at 9:15 a.m.

Commissioner Melvin Jeralds made a motion to come out of closed session and back into regular session. The motion passed with Commissioners Melvin Jeralds, Philip Faison, Sandra Duckwall, Mike Andrews and Chairman Jeffrey Jennings voting aye; no Commissioner voting no; no Commissioner absent; and no Commissioner not voting.

The Commissioners re-entered regular session at 9:48 a.m.

Adjournment

There being no further business at this time, Commissioner Sandra Duckwall made a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed with Commissioners Melvin Jeralds, Philip Faison, Sandra Duckwall, Mike Andrews and Chairman Jeffrey Jennings voting aye; no Commissioner voting no; no Commissioner absent; and no Commissioner not voting.

The meeting adjourned at 9:49 a.m.

Jeffrey B. Jennings, Chairman
Camden County Board of Commissioners

ATTEST:

Ava J. Gurganus
Clerk to the Board